Exception: Code unknown primary site (C809) only when there is no evidence of lymphoma in lymph nodes and/or the medical record documents that the physician suspects that it is an extranodal lymphoma

Code mycosis fungoides and cutaneous lymphomas to Skin (C44_).

Grade

DO NOT code the descriptions "high grade," "low grade," or "intermediate grade" in the Grade, Differentiation or Cell Indicator field. FOR LYMPHOMA ONLY, the terms "high grade," "low grade," and "intermediate grade" refer to the Working Formulation of lymphoma diagnoses. The Working Formulation is not a grade or differentiation.

DO NOT code the descriptions "Grade 1," "Grade 2," or "Grade 3" in the Grade, Differentiation or Cell Indicator field. FOR LYMPHOMA ONLY, the terms "Grade 1," "Grade 2," and "Grade 3" represent lymphoma types, rather than differentiation.

The designation of **T-cell, B-cell, null cell**, or **NK cell** has precedence over any statement of grading or differentiation. Code ANY statement of T-cell, B-cell, null cell, or NK cell. Code information on cell type from any source, whether or not marker studies are documented in the patient record

Example: The history portion of the medical record documents that the patient has a T-cell lymphoma. There are no marker studies in the chart. Code the grade as T-cell.

Additional Terms to be Coded

T-cell (code 5)

T-cell phenotype T-precursor Pre-T Gamma-Delta T

B-Cell (code 6)

B-cell phenotype B-precursor Pre-B

Null-Cell; Non-T-non-B (code 7)

Null-cell Non T-non-B Common cell

NK (natural killer) cell (code 8)

Nasal NK/T cell lymphoma Combined T and B cell

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